## JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION PERSONAL DATA QUESTIONNAIRE

Court, Position, and Seat # for which you are applying: Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 10

1. Name:

Mr. Grady L. "Leck" Patterson, III

Name that you are known by if different from above: Leck Are you currently serving in some capacity as a judge? No.

**Business Address:** 

P.O. Box 325

Columbia, SC 29202

Telephone Number:

(office): (803) 771-6022

2. Date of Birth:

1952

Place of Birth:

Columbia, SC

3. Are you a citizen of South Carolina? Yes.

Have you been a resident of this state for at least the immediate past five years? Yes.

- 5. Family Status: Married on January 26, 1980 to Sarah Jordan Patterson. Never divorced, three children.
- 6. Have you served in the military? I served in the SC Air National Guard from 1981 to 2012. I attained the rank of Brigadier General and at the end of my service received an Honorable Discharge.
- 7. List each college and law school you attended, including the dates of your attendance, the degrees you received, and if you left an institution without receiving a degree, the reason for your departure.
  - (a) Davidson College, 1971-1975, BA in Economics;
  - (b) University of SC School of Law, 1976–1979, JD.
- 8. List the states in which you have been admitted to practice law and the year of each admission. Also list any states in which you took the bar exam but were never admitted to the practice of law. If you took the bar exam more than once in any of the states listed, please indicate the number of times you took the exam in each state.

I am admitted to practice law in the state of SC. I was admitted in 1979, took the bar exam one time, and have not taken the bar exam in any other state.

- 9. List the significant activities in which you took part during your attendance at college, graduate, and law school. Give the dates you were involved in these activities and list any leadership positions you held.
  - (a) Davidson College:
    - i. Dana Scholar, 1972-1973;
    - ii. US Senate Youth Program Scholarship, 1974;
    - iii. Student Union Representative, 1971-1972;
    - iv. Social Fraternity, 1972-1975 (Social Chairman 1974-1975);
    - v. Intramural football, basketball, and softball, 1971-1975.
  - (b) University of SC School of Law:
    - i. Dean's Honor Student Scholarship, First year;
    - ii. Member of the ABA National Moot Court Team, Second year;
    - iii. Student Government Representative, Second year;



- iv. Member of the Moot Court Bar, Second and Third years;
- v. Winner of the J. Woodrow Lewis Appellate Advocacy Competition, Third year.
- 10. Describe your continuing legal or judicial education during the past five years.

Conference/CLE Name		Date(s)
(a)	Opening Statements: A Civil Trial	09/07/10;
(b)	Direct Examination: A Civil Trial	09/14/10;
(c)	Cross-Examination: A Civil Trial	09/21/10;
(d)	Closing Argument: A Civil Trial	09/28/10;
(e)	Richland County Bar Ethics Seminar	11/05/10;
(f)	Lexington County Bar Ethics Seminar	12/08/10;
(g)	Ethics with the Judges (Sporting Clays)	04/14/11;
(h)	Richland County Bar Ethics Seminar	11/04/11;
(i)	21st Annual Criminal Practice in South Carolina	02/24/12;
(j)	Civil Litigation: Deposition to Trial and Beyond	02/28/12;
(k)	Richland County Bar Ethics Seminar	11/09/12;
(1)	Lexington County Bar Annual Ethics CLE	12/06/12;
(m)	Benefits for Veterans and Their Families	02/12/13;
(n)	Lawyers Tackle Evidence	02/15/13;
(o)	Ethics with the Judges (Sporting Clays)	04/25/13;
(p)	Lexington County Bar Annual Ethics CLE	12/17/13;
(q)	Top Lawyers Tackle Evidence	02/21/14;
(r)	2014 Tort Law Update	02/27/14;
(s)	Ethics with the Judges (Sporting Clays)	04/24/14;
(t)	Ethics with the Judges (Sporting Clays)	10/23/14;
(u)	Richland County Bar Ethics Seminar	11/07/14;
(v)	Top Lawyers Tackle Evidence	02/20/15;
(w)	24th Annual Criminal Practice in South Carolina	02/27/15.

11. Have you taught law-related courses or lectured at bar association conferences, educational institutions, or continuing legal or judicial education programs?

I have lectured at the following continuing legal education seminars and conferences:

Subjec	<u>t</u>	Location
(a)	Discovery in Administrative Proceedings, CLE	Columbia, SC;
(b)	Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act, CLE	Columbia, SC;
(c)	Deployment Issues, US Air Force CLE	Denver, CO;
(d)	Domestic Violence and the Military, US Air Force CLE	Denver, CO;
(e)	Advocating the Rights of Service Members, CLE	Columbia, SC;
(f)	Commander Legal Issues, Regular Lecturer at	
	Commander's Course for several years	Knoxville, TN;

- (g) Drug Forfeiture Act, Solicitors' Association Conference Myrtle Beach, SC.
- 12. List all published books and articles you have written and give citations and the dates of publication for each.
  - (a) <u>Civil Forfeiture Manual</u> (SC Attorney General, 1984), Co-author;
  - (b) Materials for lectures set forth in items (a) through (e) in No. 11 above.

- 13. List all courts in which you have been admitted to practice and list the dates of your admission. Give the same information for administrative bodies that require a special admission to practice.
  - (a) Supreme Court of SC, 1979;
  - (b) US Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, 1980;
  - (c) US District Court, District of SC, 1982;
  - (d) US Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, 1982;
  - (e) US Supreme Court, 1983;
  - (f) US Court of Federal Claims, 1994.
- 14. Describe chronologically your legal experience since graduation from law school and include a list of all law firms with which you have been associated. Describe the general character of your practice and divide it into periods with dates if its character has changed over the years.
  - (a) SC Attorney General's Office 1979–1985

Upon completion of law school and admission to the SC Bar I began practicing law with the SC Attorney General's Office. I was involved in a number of areas of the law including worker's compensation, tort claims, condemnation actions, construction law claims, enforcement actions for State agencies, drug forfeiture actions, tender offer actions, licensing board hearings, and writing legal opinions.

In connection with my worker's compensation work I represented the State Worker's Compensation Fund in all compensation cases involving the Fund which arose in one of the seven SC Industrial Commission administrative districts. I also handled tort claims against the State and State employees. The majority of my courtroom work was in connection with handling tort cases and condemnation cases.

Another significant aspect of my work with the Office concerned construction law. I was involved in contract drafting, contract administration, arbitration, and litigation. I also handled drug forfeiture actions for law enforcement agencies.

A major responsibility of attorneys in the Attorney General's Office was representation of State agencies. Representation included defending agencies against suits, prosecuting enforcement actions for licensing agencies, and rendering opinions. In connection with representing the Deputy Securities Commissioner I worked with review of tender offer securities transactions. I appeared before the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals in defense of State tender offer review action.

I was involved in two cases brought in the original jurisdiction of the US Supreme Court. The first concerned the SC-Georgia boundary and the second concerned registration of state-issued bonds.

In addition, I was assigned to the Attorney General's Legislative Task Force which drafted and presented proposed legislation to the General Assembly.

(b) Quinn, Patterson & Willard 1985-1999

I entered private practice in 1985 with the Columbia firm of Quinn, Brown & Arndt, which later became Quinn, Patterson & Willard. The practice concentrated on business litigation. It was mainly a defense practice although a significant amount

of plaintiffs' work was done. Contracts, business torts, unfair trade practices, and other business issues were the primary subjects of our practice. I also did condemnation actions, bankruptcy cases, and a case in the US Court of Federal Claims

I handled a number of appeals including appeals to the SC Supreme Court, the SC Court of Appeals, and the US District Court.

(c) Montgomery, Patterson, Potts & Willard, L.L.P. 2000-2008

My practice at Montgomery, Patterson, Potts & Willard was similar to my practice at Quinn, Patterson & Willard. It centered on business issues and insurance defense. The business practice included both corporate work and litigation. Contracts, including leases, and business torts were a large part of the business litigation.

(d) Patterson Law Offices, LLC 2008-present

In April 2008 I started Patterson Law Offices, LLC. My practice consists primarily of litigation and corporate work. Litigation covers a broad area but focuses on contracts, leases, business torts, and construction law. Corporate work includes drafting of various contracts, leases, and other corporate documents.

(e) SC Air National Guard 1981-2003

In addition to my regular practice I have been a Judge Advocate in the SC Air National Guard. After joining the Air Guard I attended Air Force law school where I finished first in my class. I was designated a Judge Advocate by the US Air Force and in my military legal work I prosecuted and defended airmen subject to discharge before discharge boards. I have also served as the legal advisor to boards which is a role similar to the role of a judge for the hearing. My judge advocate work included issues ranging from the law of armed conflict to preparing wills for deploying troops. During the course of my military career I received biennial update training in criminal and civil law. In 2003 I moved from the JAG position to become a line officer. Following command positions I was appointed the SC Assistant Adjutant General for Air in which position I served until 2012.

- 15. Please answer the following (if you are a judge and <u>are not seeking a different type of judgeship</u>, this question is inapplicable):
  - (b) If you are a candidate for Circuit Court, please provide a brief written description of your experience in criminal matters, including any cases handled over the past five years and include a brief description of the issues involved. Further, please provide a brief written description of your experience in civil matters, including any cases handled over the past five years and include a brief description of the types of matters handled, issues involved, and procedural history. Please include information such as the primary areas in civil court in which you practice, whether you represent plaintiffs or defendants, or both. You may go back further than five years if you feel it would assist the Commission with its assessment of your experience. If you lack experience in an area, describe how your background has prepared you to preside over such matters as a Circuit Court Judge, or how you would compensate for your lack of experience in this area.

My practice has largely been in civil matters. I have been involved in a suit against a bank for loss of personal identifying information; a land dispute suit which involved removal of lateral support; a suit concerning damage to a business resulting from failure of the landlord to maintain the premises; representation of a SC county and two cities in suits against online reservation services for nonpayment of taxes; a series of condemnation actions for a school district to obtain the right-of-way for a road servicing a new school; defense of collection actions; filing and defense of mechanic's lien actions; a will contest; personal injury claims; sales of businesses, including transfer of stock or membership interests and pledge agreements; drafting contracts, including those for construction, lease of nursing homes, and financing documents; handling partnership redemptions; sale of an office building in Columbia; and representation of a client before a professional licensing board.

My work has been balanced between plaintiff and defense matters although it has moved from more defense work in the past to more plaintiffs' work now. Most of my litigation experience has been in jury matters.

In the criminal area I have handled cases in the Magistrate's and City Court as well as summary military courts. To obtain experience in criminal matters I have been associated on General Sessions criminal cases. I believe my trial background will assist me in preparing to preside over criminal matters. While the substantive law is different, the general mode of trial, examination of witnesses, questions concerning evidence, and analyzing arguments rely upon the same skills I have developed through years of experience. I am confident I will be able to preside over both civil and criminal matters.

- 16. What is your rating, if any, by any legal rating organization, such as, <u>Best Lawyers</u>, <u>Chambers</u>, <u>Legal 500</u>, <u>Martindale-Hubbell</u>, <u>Who's Who Legal</u>, <u>Super Lawyers</u>, <u>etc.</u>? If you are currently a member of the judiciary, list your last available rating, if any. AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell.
- 17. What was the frequency of your court appearances during the past five years?
  - (a) federal:

Average of less than one per year;

(b) state:

Average of approximately six times per year.

- 18. What percentage of your practice involved civil, criminal, domestic, and other matters during the past five years?
  - (a) civil:

98%:

(b) criminal:

2%.

- (c) domestic:
- (d) other:
- 19. What percentage of your practice in trial court during the past five years involved matters that went to a jury, including those that settled prior to trial?
  - (a) jury:

95%;

(b) non-jury:

5%.

Did you most often serve as sole counsel, chief counsel, or associate counsel in these matters?

I most often served as sole counsel; however, I served with co-counsel on larger cases.

20. List five of the most significant litigated matters you have personally handled in either trial or appellate court or before a state or federal agency. Give citations if the cases were reported and describe why these matters were significant.

- (a) Altman, et al. v. First Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Inc., et al. Suit brought by thirty-nine customers of a bank for failure to adequately protect personal identifying information which had been stolen. The case involved issues of negligence, breach of fiduciary duty, and unfair trade practices, among others. Significant issues included the sources of and extent of the bank's duties to its customers and application of both the "unfair" and "deceptive" prongs of the unfair trade practices act. In addition, an insurance company filed a declaratory judgment action in the US District Court for the District of SC entitled Nationwide Mutual Fire Insurance Company v. First Citizens Bank and Trust Company, Inc. et al. to obtain a declaratory judgment that the policy it issued did not apply to the loss alleged. We also represented the thirty-nine customers who were named as defendants in that case.
- H. Thomas Taylor v. Terry L. Cash, et al. (more than twenty cases). Suit by lessor (b) of nursing homes who was former business partner of the individual defendant. We represented the individual defendant and the defendant companies. Plaintiff lessor sought a declaratory judgment, alleged fraud, alleged breach of contract, sought claim and delivery of equipment, and sought ejectment of the lessees in connection with transfer of leases of six nursing homes and related covenants not to compete. Numerous issues resulted in more than twenty suits being brought in or removed to Bankruptcy Court and handled as adversary proceedings. Four trials were held (including a number of cases consolidated for trial). Three of the cases were appealed to the US District Court where they were briefed and argued. One of the cases was appealed to the US Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals where the issues were briefed prior to settlement. A significant trial involved the issue of whether plaintiff could sell the nursing homes and, thereby, eliminate defendants' interests. We were successful in preventing the sale. The case involved issues of first impression and is reported at In re Taylor, 198 B.R. 142 (D.S.C. 1996).
- (c) Turner Murphy Company v. City of York (two cases). Suit by contractor against the City of York, SC, for the balance of the contract price on construction of new wastewater treatment plant. Represented the City of York in a two-week jury trial. The case was significant due to the number of issues involved including complex administrative issues involving the US Environmental Protection Agency. The second suit was brought several years later by the City against the contractor and engineer for defective work when a concrete filter structure leaked. Three-day jury trial in the York County Circuit Court resulted in a verdict for the City.
- (d) F.D.D. Ltd. v. GMK Construction, et al. (two cases). I represented the plaintiffs in a suit prosecuted by the homeowners' association of a residential development. Suit was brought against the contractor, subcontractor, and engineer for defects in roadways and piping system in the development. Settled with contractor and subcontractor. Week long jury trial in the US District Court for the District of SC against the engineer resulted in verdict for the homeowners' association. Verdict and settlement amounts provided sufficient funds for the homeowners' association to effect all needed remedial work.
- (e) <u>Griggs v. Southern Electronic Manufacturing Company</u>. Suit by manufacturer's representative against manufacturer alleging breach of an agreement to pay the representative an ongoing commission. The case involved a significant issue of

whether sales commissions can be received as long as a business sells to the customer introduced by the representative. I represented the defendant and obtained summary judgment for the client.

- 21. List up to five civil appeals you have personally handled. Give the case name, the court, the date of decision, and the citation if the case was reported.
  - (a) Rumpf, et al. v. Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, et al., 357 S.C. 386, 593 S.E.2d 183 (Ct.App. 2004). This case involved a trucking company which entered a contract with Massachusetts Mutual to provide a pension plan for the company's employees. The contract gave retirement benefits to employees in the form of annuities. The issue was whether the pension plan administrator, who was deceased at the time the case was brought, had let the statute of limitations run on claims against the annuity provider. Summary judgment was granted to Defendant and the decision was upheld on appeal.
  - (b) Rowe v. Hyatt, 321 S.C. 366, 468 S.E.2d 649 (1996). This case involved the question of whether an individual owner who did not participate in the sale of an automobile could be liable under the Automobile Dealers Act, SC. Code Ann. Section 56-15-10, et seq. (Supp. 1998). Court of Appeals decision rported: Rowe v. Hyatt, 317 S.C. 172, 452 S.E.2d 356 (Ct.App. 1995).
  - (c) <u>D & D Leasing Co. of SC v. David Lipson, Ph.D., P.A.</u>, 305 S.C. 540, 409 S.E.2d 794 (Ct.App. 1991). This case involved the issue of whether an automobile lease termination clause which provided for acceleration of unpaid lease payments and sale of the repossessed automobile was valid.
  - (d) <u>D & D Leasing Co. of SC v. Gentry</u>, 298 S.C. 342, 380 S.E.2d 823 (1989). This case involved the question of whether a commercial lease of personality was governed or controlled by Article 2 (Sales) of the Uniform Commercial Code.
  - (e) Gosnell v. SC Department of Highways and Public Transp., 282 S.C. 526, 320 S.E.2d 454 (1984). This case involved the question of whether a directed verdict should have been granted to the Department in a collision case arising out of work being done on a highway.
- 22. List up to five criminal appeals that you have personally handled. Give the case name, the court, the date of decision and the citation if the case was reported.
  - I drafted numerous briefs while working as a clerk in the Criminal Appeals Section of the SC Attorney General's Office but have not prepared any for which I was personally responsible as an attorney.
- 23. Have you ever held judicial office? Describe the jurisdiction of each of the courts and note any limitations on the jurisdiction of each court.

  I have not held judicial office.
- 25. Have you ever held public office other than judicial office? Also, state whether or not you have timely filed your report with the State Ethics Commission during the period you held public office.
  - I have not held public office.
- 27. Have you ever been an unsuccessful candidate for elective, judicial, or other public office? If so, give details, including dates.
  - (a) SC House of Representatives, District 79, 1988 general election;
  - (b) Circuit Court Judge, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Seat 3, Spring 2000;
  - (c) Circuit Court Judge, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Seat 3, Fall 2011;

- (d) Circuit Court Judge, At-Large Seat 16, Fall 2012;
- (e) Circuit Court Judge, At-Large Seat 9, Fall 2014.
- 28. Have you ever been engaged in any occupation, business, or profession other than the practice of law, teaching of law, or holding judicial or other public office?

  SC Air National Guard (part time) 1981-2012;
  - (a) Judge Advocate (1981–2003);
  - (b) Group Commander and Flight Commander (2003–2005);
  - (c) Vice Commander of 169th Fighter Wing (2006–2009);
  - (d) SC Assistant Adjutant General for Air (2009–2012).
- 29. Are you now an officer or director or involved in the management of any business enterprise? Explain the nature of the business, your duties, and the term of your service. I am a member of Patterson Law Offices, LLC, a law practice. I have an indefinite term of service.
- 30. A complete, current financial net worth statement was provided to the Commission.
- 31. Describe any financial arrangements or business relationships you have, or have had in the past, that could constitute or result in a possible conflict of interest in the position you seek. Explain how you would resolve any potential conflict of interest.

  Not applicable.
- 32. Have you ever been arrested, charged, or held by federal, state, or other law enforcement authorities for violation or for suspicion of violation of any federal law or regulation, state law or regulation, or county or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance, or any other law, including another country's law?
- 33. Have you, to your knowledge, ever been under federal, state, or local investigation for possible violation of a criminal statute?

  No.
- 34. Has a tax lien or other collection procedure ever been instituted against you by federal, state, or local authorities? Have you ever defaulted on a student loan? Have you ever filed for bankruptcy?

  No.
- 35. Have you ever been sued, either personally or professionally, that is, have you ever been named as defendant or respondent in any court of law?
- 37. Have you ever been investigated by the Department of Social Services? Has your name ever been enrolled on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect?

  No.
- 38. If you are in private practice, are you covered by malpractice insurance and, if so, how long have you carried malpractice insurance? If applicable, have you ever been covered by a tail policy? If so, please explain when you were covered by a tail policy. Also, if applicable, indicate your coverage and deductible for your current malpractice policy. I am covered by malpractice insurance. Other than a four-year period, I have been continuously covered since 1985. To my knowledge I have not been covered by a tail policy. Current coverage is \$500,000 each claim, \$1,000,000 aggregate, and \$2,500 deductible.
- 39. Are you active on or a member of a social media or Internet site or have you, to your knowledge, been featured or depicted on a social media or Internet site, such as,

- Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, etc.? If so, how would your use of social media or other similar types of Internet sites be affected if you were serving in a judicial capacity? Not applicable.
- 40. Are you now or have you ever been employed as a "lobbyist," as defined by S.C. Code § 2-17-10(13), or have you acted in the capacity of a "lobbyist's principal," as defined by S.C. Code § 2-17-10(14)?

  No.
- 41. Since filing with the Commission your letter of intent to run for judicial office, have you accepted lodging, transportation, entertainment, food, meals, beverages, money, or any other thing of value as defined by S.C. Code § 2-17-10(1) from a lobbyist or lobbyist's principal?

  No.
- 42. S.C. Code § 8-13-700 provides, in part, that "[n]o public official, public member, or public employee may knowingly use his official office, membership, or employment to obtain an economic interest for himself, a member of his immediate family, an individual with whom he is associated, or a business with which he is associated." Please detail any knowledge you have of any formal charges or informal allegations against you or any other candidate for violations of these provisions. Include the disposition, if any, of such charges or allegations.

Not applicable.

- 43. S.C. Code § 8-13-765 provides, in part, that "[n]o person may use government personnel, equipment, materials, or an office building in an election campaign." Please detail any knowledge you have of any formal charges or informal allegations against you or any other candidate for violations of these provisions. Include the disposition, if any, of such charges or allegations.
  - Not applicable.
- 44. Itemize (by amount, type, and date) all expenditures, other than those for travel and room and board, made by you, or on your behalf in furtherance of your candidacy for the position you seek.
  - 8/17/15 Postage \$0.96
- 45. List the amount and recipient of all contributions made by you or on your behalf to members of the General Assembly since the announcement of your intent to seek election to a judgeship.
  - None.

No.

- 46. Have you directly or indirectly requested the pledge of any member of the General Assembly as to your election for the position for which you are being screened? Have you received the assurance of any public official or public employee that they will seek the pledge of any member of the General Assembly as to your election for the position for which you are being screened?
- 47. Have you requested a friend or colleague to contact members of the General Assembly on your behalf? Are you aware of any friends or colleagues contacting members of the General Assembly on your behalf?
- 48. Have you or has anyone acting on your behalf solicited or collected funds to aid in the promotion of your candidacy?

  No.

- 49. Have you or has anyone acting on your behalf contacted members of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission about your candidacy or intention to become a candidate?
- 50. List all bar associations and professional organizations of which you are a member and give the titles and dates of any offices you have held in such groups.
  - (a) SC Bar
    - i. Member of the House of Delegates for the Fifth Judicial Circuit (1992-1998);
    - ii. Chairman of the Military Law Section (1990-1991);
    - iii. Member of the House of Delegates for Military Law Section (1991-1992);
    - iv. Member of the Military Law Section;
    - v. Member of the Committee on Continuing Education.
  - (b) Richland County Bar Association;
    - i. Member of the Clerk of Court Committee.
  - (c) Air Force Association;
  - (d) American Legion;
  - (e) National Guard Association of the US;
    - . National Conference Delegate from SC (2005–2012 and 2015).
  - (e) National Guard Association of SC;
    - i. President;
    - ii. President-Elect;
    - iii. Executive Council;
    - iv. By-Laws Committee Chairman.
- 51. List all civic, charitable, educational, social, and fraternal organizations of which you are or have been a member during the past five years and include any offices held in such a group, any professional honors, awards, or other forms of recognition received and not listed elsewhere.
  - (a) SC Aerospace Task Force Advisory Board;
  - (b) Governor's Military Base Task Force (Adjutant General Designee); i.Executive Committee (Adjutant General Designee);
  - (c) United Way Campaign;
  - (d) Boy Scouts of America;
    - i. Chairman, Richland County Major Gifts 2008;
    - ii. Chairman, Richland County Leadership 2007.
  - (e) SC Air National Guard;
    - i. Air Force Distinguished Service Medal;
    - ii. Legion of Merit Medal;
    - iii. Meritorious Service Medal (with one oak leaf cluster);
    - iv. Commendation Medal for service in SC during Operation Desert Storm;
    - v.Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.
  - (f) Graduate of USAF Air War College;
  - (g) Graduate of USAF Air Command and Staff College;
  - (h) Spring Valley Homeowners Association Board of Directors;
    - i. President (1995-1998).
  - (i) Shandon Presbyterian Church, Columbia, SC;
    - i.Deacon;

- ii. Trustee-Chairman of the Board of Trustees (2015-2016).
- 52. Provide any other information that may reflect positively or negatively on your candidacy, or which you believe should be disclosed in connection with consideration of you for nomination for the position you seek.

I have a strong desire to serve on the bench. I believe my training and experience will be assets to the position. I believe in our system of justice and I will zealously seek the proper and just resolution of matters in dispute through appropriate application of the law. I feel that I can make a contribution to the cause of justice and the fair and orderly administration of the law in this state.

- 53. List the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of five persons, including your banker, from whom references could be obtained.
  - (a) Laura Callaway Hart
    Duff, White & Turner, L.L.C.
    P.O. Box 1486
    Columbia, SC 29202
    (803) 790-0603
  - (b) Daniel B. Lott, Jr. Lott & Searcy, LLP 3022 Millwood Ave. Columbia, SC 29205 (803) 790-2120
  - (c) Thad L. Myers
    Thad L. Myers, P.A.
    1422 Laurel Street
    Columbia, SC 29201
    (803) 252-0005
  - (d) Charles W. Whetstone, Jr.
    Whetstone, Perkins & Fulda, LLC
    P.O. Box 8086
    Columbia, SC 29202
    (803) 799-9400
  - (e) Stephen Pueblo Wells Fargo Bank 331 Harbison Blvd. Columbia, SC 29212 (803) 749-3900
- 54. Describe any interest you or a member of your immediate family has in real property:
  - (a) in which there is a potential conflict of interest with your involvement in a South Carolina state or local public agency;
  - (b) in which there have been public improvements of \$200 or that adjoins property in which there have been public improvements of \$200; or
  - (c) which was sold, leased, or rented to a state or local public agency in South Carolina. List the interest you hold and the value and location of the property. Identify as applicable the:
  - (a) nature of any potential conflict of interest;
  - (b) nature and value of any public improvements; and

(c) South Carolina state or local public agency which purchased or is leasing or renting such property.

Not applicable.

55. Identify any personal property interest you or a member of your immediate family sold, leased, or rented to a South Carolina state or local public agency. Identify the property, its amount or value, and the name of the agency.

Not applicable.

YOUR SIGNATURE WILL BE HELD TO CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF ANY PROCEEDING BEFORE A GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE OR ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR CREDIT.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT MY ANSWERS ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Signature: S/Grady L. "Leck" Patterson, III

Date: August 17, 2015